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AMENDMENT

United States Patent and Trademark Office Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria. VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 31, 20008, on the abovereferenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.